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Title: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR OPTIMIZING THE DISPERSION AND DISPERSION SLOPE FOR A DISPERSION MAP WITH SLOPE-COMPENSATING OPTICAL FIBERS

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Sir:

**AMENDMENT B**

This in response the second Official Action in this case mailed June 7, 2004. No extension of time is believed to be required. However, Applicants conditionally petition for an extension of time to provide for the possibility that the need for such a petition has been inadvertently overlooked. As provided below, please charge Deposit Account No. 50-2121 for any required fee.

Please amend the application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 6 of this paper.